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C O N F I D E N T I A L MADRID 5890

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1
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SUBJECT: SUAREZ' UCD BECOMES A FULL-FLEDGED PARTY

1. SUAREZ' CENTER DEMOCRATIC UNION (UCD), LOOKING AHEAD TO MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS AND OVER ITS SHOULDER AT THE PSOE, FORMALLY TRANSFORMED ITSELF INTO A POLITICAL PARTY AUGUST 4. SUAREZ HAD MET AUGUST 3 WITH ALL THE UCD-LABELED GOVT MINISTERS IN A STAGEG-SETTER, AND HE CHAIRED THE AUGUST 4 ASSEMBLY OF PROVINCIAL AND REGIONAL DELEGATES AFTER WHICH THE FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PARTY WAS MADE. ALSO IN ATTENDANCE WERE ELEVEN GOVT MINISTERS AND CONGRESS PRESIDENT ALVAREZ DE MIRANDA (I.E., THE LEADERS OF ALL OF UCD'S MAJOR POLITICAL TENDENCIES).

2. THE ACTUAL STRUCTURE OF THE NEWLY FORMED PARTY REMAINS
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SKETCHY, TO BE FLESHED OUT AT THE UCD'S FIRST CONGRESS IN THE FALL. HOWEVER, SUAREZ TOLD THE PRESS AFTER THE AUGUST 4 MEETING THAT IT WOULD CONSIST OF:
-- THE CONGRESS;
-- A PERMANENT COMMISSION, REPORTEDLY TO BE MADE UP OF THE PARTY PRESIDENT, PROVINCIAL AND REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES, AND THOSE GOVT MINISTERS WHO ALSO

ARE UCD MILITANTS;

-- A POLITICAL COUNCIL WHICH WOULD ADVISE THE PERMANENT
COMMISSION; AND

-- THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

3. TRANSPORTATION MINISTER LLADO EARLIER HAD TOLD THE
AMBASSADOR THAT UCD IS HARD AT WORK LAYING THE FOUNDATION
FOR ITS MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGN, AN EFFORT HE SAID VICE PRESIDENT
FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS ABRIL IS HEADING UP. ALVAREZ DE
MIRANDA LATER STATED PRIVATELY TO THE AMBASSADOR THAT HE
WAS OPTIMISTIC AND ALREADY SAW A GOOD DEAL OF COHESION WITHIN
UCD. BUT ITS TRANSFORMATION FROM A COALITION INTO A PARTY
IS FURTHER TESTIMONY TO THE LEADERSHIP'S AWARENESS THAT UCD
HAS CONSIDERABLE ORGANIZATION WORK TO ACCOMPLISH IN ORDER TO
COMPETE EFFECTIVELY WITH THE LEFT, PARTICULARLY THE PSOE, IN
THE INCREASINGLY TALKED ABOUT MUNICIPALS. STABLER

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